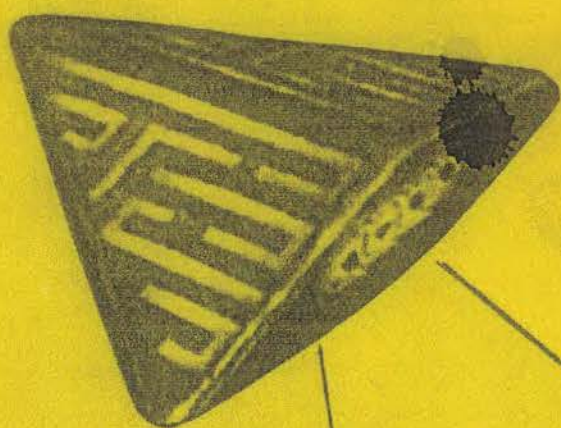
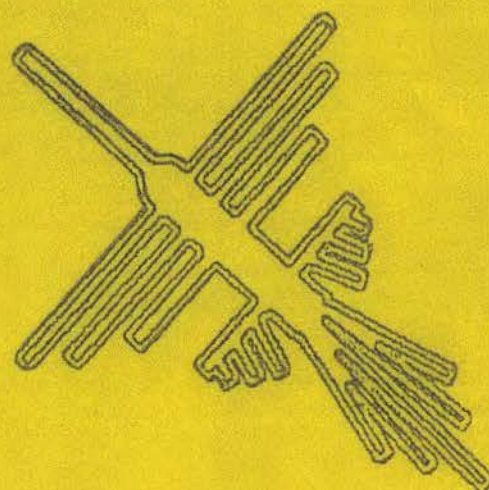
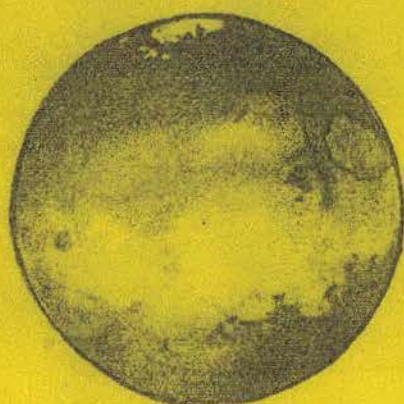


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CHANGING TIMES

We are all going through a time of great change and I am not referring to the revamped front cover of the OVNI (which incidentally has been designed to bring it more into line with UFO associated events), but to the World events that are now rapidly overtaking us all.

Our concern has shifted from, not what dangers may exist from the extraterrestrials either in outer space or interdimensionally, but from an enemy that is within. What limited knowledge we have of the Aliens actions and intentions has shown that we are apparently being treated as an interesting species. However, after an inspection and the insertion of the odd tracking device or two, we have usually been returned to our beds with no more than a nick or a bruise, plus a feeling of some bewilderment to show for it. How different is the fear that we now hold for any further terrors that our own species may inflict upon us!

We humans now have the ability to destroy ourselves and just about everything on the face of the planet, although strangely enough cockroaches appear to be able to withstand just about any environmental disaster! The Aliens it seems are not interested in cockroaches, but in producing a hybrid race in space. The pieces of the abduction jigsaw are slowly coming together, as we recollect the common features recounted by 'abductees'. The taking of sperm, the 'missing' foetus and then the 'presentation' to the mother of the Alien/Hybrid child.

Could the Aliens be aware of what the future has in store for us? If they are capable of seeing into the future (and many abductees have told of scenes of future devastation being shown to them), could the Aliens be trying to save mankind by producing a more intelligent species, ready to re-populate the World?

They have probably tried for thousands of years to convince us to live in peace together. The various prophets of the many different religions could have been no more than 'mediums' passing on a message of peace from the 'Gods', but all to no avail it seems.

Time will tell if the Aliens have made the right choice by producing a 'Hybrid' race, ready to re-populate the World when the time comes!

A DIFFERENT FORMAT FOR THIS MONTH

There has been a marked drop in the number of local and UK sightings in recent weeks, although there have been several reports of interest world-wide, some of which have been included in this issue.

In the next issue of the OVNI, UFO events in New Zealand will be featured, with details kindly supplied by Mr Harvey Cooke of the Tauranga UFO Investigation Group, New Zealand.

I have taken this opportunity to feature one of the many interesting Alien 'contact' cases that I have investigated over the years. It is entitled 'The Sky People' and concerns an English family that emigrated to Australia several years ago.

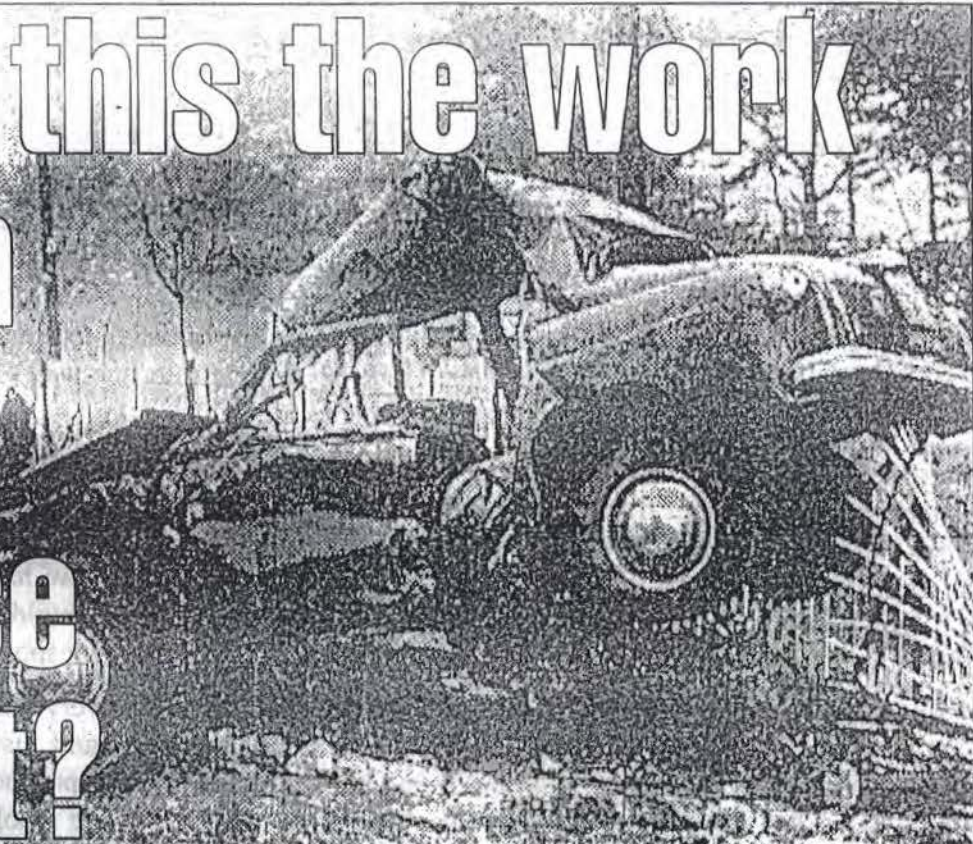
Rather than let it gather dust in my files, I have reproduced it in full in this issue, for your interest.

Omar Fowler

AMAZING LOCAL UFO STORY COMES TO LIGHT

(With thanks to Richard Servante & The Derby Evening Telegraph September 8, 2001)

Was this the work of an alien spacecraft?



A RETIRED policeman is on a quest to solve a 47-year-old mystery in which the driver of a car claimed he crashed while being chased by a UFO.

Horatio Penrose suffered minor injuries after his vehicle hit iron railings at Hilton Gravel Works on the main Derby to Burton road in Burnaston, shortly before midnight on May 13, 1954.

Now, policeman turned paranormal investigator John Hanson is attempting to track down witnesses to the crash for a book he plans to write on UFO activity.

Mr Penrose, a former petty officer on HMS Royalist, was returning to his home in Harborne, Birmingham, after visiting a potential buyer for his car in Derby when the incident happened.

The car was severely damaged on its sides and roof.

Mr Penrose was taken to Derbyshire Royal Infirmary, where

47 years on, former policeman probes theory that car was chased by a UFO

by Andy Shipley

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he was detained for a day with concussion and minor cuts to his face.

He later claimed he crashed his car while being chased by an alien craft which grabbed his vehicle – causing the damage to the roof and sides – and that his car was lifted into the craft where he met the “alien” occupants.

However extraordinary it sounds, his UFO story was given credence by a British Rail signalman on duty in a nearby signal box at the time of the car crash.

He went on record as saying he saw Mr Penrose's car being

chased by a “ball of light”.

But no other details exist and Mr Hanson, who retired from the West Midlands police force in 1994, is keen to trace the officers who investigated Mr Penrose's crash and any other witnesses.

UFO investigator Margaret Westwood (60), who also lives in Harborne, met Mr Penrose by chance in a Birmingham bookshop in 1974 and has interviewed him before.

She said: “I was looking at UFO books when Mr Penrose came up to me and said ‘I wouldn't get involved with that if I was you – I've had a nasty experience’.

“I later interviewed him about the crash and he said aliens had performed experi-

ments on him.”

Mr Hanson (55), from Redditch, became interested in UFOs after two police officers reported seeing a huge, blue, oval-shaped object in the skies over Moseley in Birmingham in 1995.

He said it was significant that Mr Penrose had consistently stuck to his story of the events that took place over the years that have passed.

He said: “I believe that there is a distinct possibility that Mr Penrose witnessed something out of the ordinary while driving home that evening.”

Mr Penrose emigrated to Australia shortly after the crash and attempts to trace his family have failed.

But Mr Hanson is still determined to probe into the mysterious goings-on.

Mr Hanson said: “If we accept that he [Mr Penrose] made the whole thing up, why would he involve the other ‘evidence’ that presumably could have been checked out some years after the event such as the blood, the signalman and the extreme damage to the car caused, he says, by the sides of the car being grabbed?”

The Sky People

By Omar Fowler

In April of 1963, Mr Derek Hodgson, his wife Dora and their three children, Martin, Sharon and Andrew left their home in England and travelled to Australia under the Government Immigration Scheme, to take up residence in Australia.

They initially set up home in Elizabeth near Adelaide, but in July 1965, decided to move on and to make for the East Coast of New South Wales. They were travelling in an old Humber Super Snipe car and before long they were forced to stop at Canberra to have a leaking oil seal fixed. Once the seal had been replaced they were able to continue their journey and headed further on up the coast.

It was late on a Saturday night when they pulled into the "Oasis" Caravan Park at Windang, a small development on the Pacific coast, situated between Lake Illawarra and the Windang road. That night they slept in the car, as they were unable to find any accommodation until the following day. It was then that they met the proprietors of the site, Mr & Mrs Taylor who arranged to rent them a caravan. At that time, the Hodgson family had only intended to stay at the park for a short period.

It was on the following Monday and after some discussion with his wife Dora, that Derek Hodgson decided to look for work in the area. He succeeded in finding a job at a local timber mill, this was conveniently situated at Primbee, just a few miles up the road from the caravan park. Dora found places for two of their children at a local school (one was too young) and it was then, that the couple decided to extend their stay at the "Oasis" park. As a result of their change of plans, Mr & Mrs Taylor arranged for the family to move into a "cabin", a residence with far more spacious accommodation. At one time the "cabin" had been a railway carriage, but it had since been converted into a neat little home and sat at the end of the caravan park on a number of small brick piles.

If it had not been for the biting sand fleas, it could have been considered an idyllic site. The almost invisible little fleas found their way everywhere, even into the bed sheets and they became a real nuisance. The couple sought help from a local chemist and he advised them to try sprinkling naphthalene crystals between the sheets. Much to their relief, the crystals worked and the problem of the sand fleas was overcome.

In the evening, the family often went for a stroll along the shore of Lake Illawarra. It was a picturesque scene and the dotted lights of the shrimp boats could be seen bobbing around across the lake. Occasionally the family walked over the high sand dunes and made their way along the white sandy beach overlooking the great Pacific Ocean.

When the Hodgson family returned to the "cabin" after their evening walk, they often tuned into the local radio station 2WL. They liked to listen to the old English comedy programmes frequently transmitted by the station. Occasionally there was a "static" or crackling noise interfering with the programme, but they put this down to thunderstorms, which they thought were in the area.

The radio transmitter was quite close to the "Oasis" site, just across the road in fact. It was not long before the couple began to realise that the "static" noise, which sometimes blanked out the radio programme completely, occurred at the same time each week. Derek thought that the interference might be caused by something passing close to the transmitter.

The couple became curious about the "static" noise and the next time that it was due, they decided to stand outside their cabin and to watch out for anything unusual. Derek had an old pair of ex-army x10 binoculars and with the aid of these, he would be able to search the night sky. "We didn't know if he would see anything," said Dora. "In the clear night sky of Australia, the stars appear to be brighter and there seem to be more of them" commented Derek.

Several nights passed as Derek searched the heavens with his binoculars, then at last his efforts were rewarded. Through the starry sky, he spotted three pinpoints of light, very high and travelling in an East to West direction.

As the lights came closer, their brightness increased and Derek made out the shape of three slender dart-like objects. The main colour of the darts was a brilliant white, but then pale blues and pinks seemed to wash over the length of the craft. Derek thought that possibly, the colour changes might have been due to eyestrain. It was a difficult task following the small dart-like shapes across the night sky with a pair of old army binoculars.

For some time, Derek and his wife Dora had been interested in psychic phenomena. They had experimented with an Ouija Board a few months previously and at various times had been successful in contacting something from "the other side". Dora had often questioned this unknown "force" about their future.

The couple was once told that they would return to England within a few years, but this was something that they had no intention of doing. They had decided to make Australia their permanent home.

Dora suggested that it might be possible to contact the dart-shaped craft by means of telepathy and by using an Ouija Board. By these means, there was a chance that contact could be made. The couple decided that the next time the "darts" were due, they would have a "Board" prepared and would be ready and waiting.

As the time approached, the couple sat patiently at the table in their cabin. They had made a "Board" from a sheet of brown paper pinned down on the table, with the letters and numbers arranged in a circle around the paper. Derek and Dora sat opposite each other, their fingers placed on the base of an upturned glass. If any "contact" was made, the glass should move from letter to letter, spelling out a message. Any moment now the multi-coloured darts should be approaching the Pacific coastline. The couple sat listening to the radio, waiting for any sign that the "darts" were on their way.

They glanced at the clock, then the wireless static began. The "darts" were right on time! Derek and Dora placed their fingers on top of the glass and concentrated. There was no need to spell out a question on the board, it seemed as if their very thoughts were being read and understood. Suddenly they felt a surge of power, a force, a very strong force was at work!

The glass sped from letter to letter, first a "Z" and then an "I", making up the name "ZI". What did it mean? Derek and Dora thought deeply, "Who was 'ZI' they asked? They waited, then once again the glass began to move, "We are the Sky People" came the reply! The couple sat quietly stunned by the response. The "Sky People" had often been referred to by the old Aboriginal wise men, a subject that Derek had been studying since his arrival in Australia. More questions and answers followed before the "darts" moved on and the contact ended.

During the weeks that followed, Derek and Dora were regularly in touch with the "Sky People". They no longer bothered to walk outside their cabin to watch for the tiny illuminated darts passing high overhead, but instead waited at the table with their "Board" at the ready. They thought it strange how the children always slept heavily on these occasions and they were never once disturbed during the two-way communication that was now taking place regularly twice a week.

Derek and Dora were completely secretive about their actions, they thought that their neighbours might not take too kindly to stories of their contact with the "Sky People". Derek often took notes, but these were usually on odd scraps of paper.

Unfortunately, during the couple's many moves, the notes have been lost or destroyed. Derek and Dora have since had to rely on their memories to recount the details of the many contacts that were made.

Derek once asked the "ZI's" the purpose of their visit to Earth. The "Sky People" replied that they were the "Guardians" of our world and that they had been visiting the planet for many thousands of years. They said that they had landed here "many times". On another occasion, when the couple asked the "Sky People" where they lived, they replied "closer than you think"!

The question and answer episodes continued for some time but Derek and Dora could remember only a fraction of their past "conversations". At one time, they asked the "Sky People" their names, as the couple wanted to know whom they were speaking to.

The "ZI's" replied, that unlike us, they did not have individual names, but they had titles that changed according to their task in hand. They thought it strange that we were all named individually.

Curiosity now overcame Derek and Dora's initial fear and thinking hard, they asked their contact if they could meet one of the "Sky People" face to face. At first the "ZI's" reply was negative, "No, you would be frightened of us". Derek was curious, "Why would we be afraid" he thought? Back through the "Board" came the reply, "because we are bigger than you".

During the weeks that followed, Derek repeatedly asked for a meeting with the "Sky People". He felt certain that knowing the "ZI's" were friendly, he would be able to overcome any initial fear that he might have. Derek's persistence finally paid off when at long last, the "Sky People" agreed to a meeting. The couple were told to go to a point along the shoreline of the lake, during the time of the "ZI's" next fly-over.

As the time for the meeting drew closer, the couple had a feeling of excitement, but Dora was apprehensive. Had Derek been right to insist on a meeting with the Sky People? What would the "ZI's" look like, would the couple be abducted, would they ever see their children again? The questions flooded through Dora's mind. Within a few days, the time for the meeting with the "Sky People" arrived. Derek and Dora settled the children in their beds and then set out for the lake shore on their way to the rendezvous point.

As they walked through the night, they felt that something was wrong. A light aircraft was flying backwards and forwards across the lake, as though searching for something. The couple watched it in silence, could it be a spotter aircraft of some kind?

The small aircraft continued its circling and flew back and forth for some time. There seemed to be no sign of any "Sky People", perhaps the plane had scared them off? The couple continued to wait, but there was still no sign of the "ZI's", what could have gone wrong? Finally they decided to make their way back to the caravan site, as there now seemed to be little chance of a meeting taking place.

Derek and Dora tried to contact the "Sky People" that night, but there was no response. What had happened to them? The couple decided that they had no alternative but to wait until later in the week, when the next "flyover" was due. They might then, find an answer to the riddle of the missing "ZI's".

Later the same week the hour of the rendezvous approached and once again the couple prepared to make contact with the passing craft. They positioned the "Board" on the table and waited, soon they felt the surge of power coming through the glass.

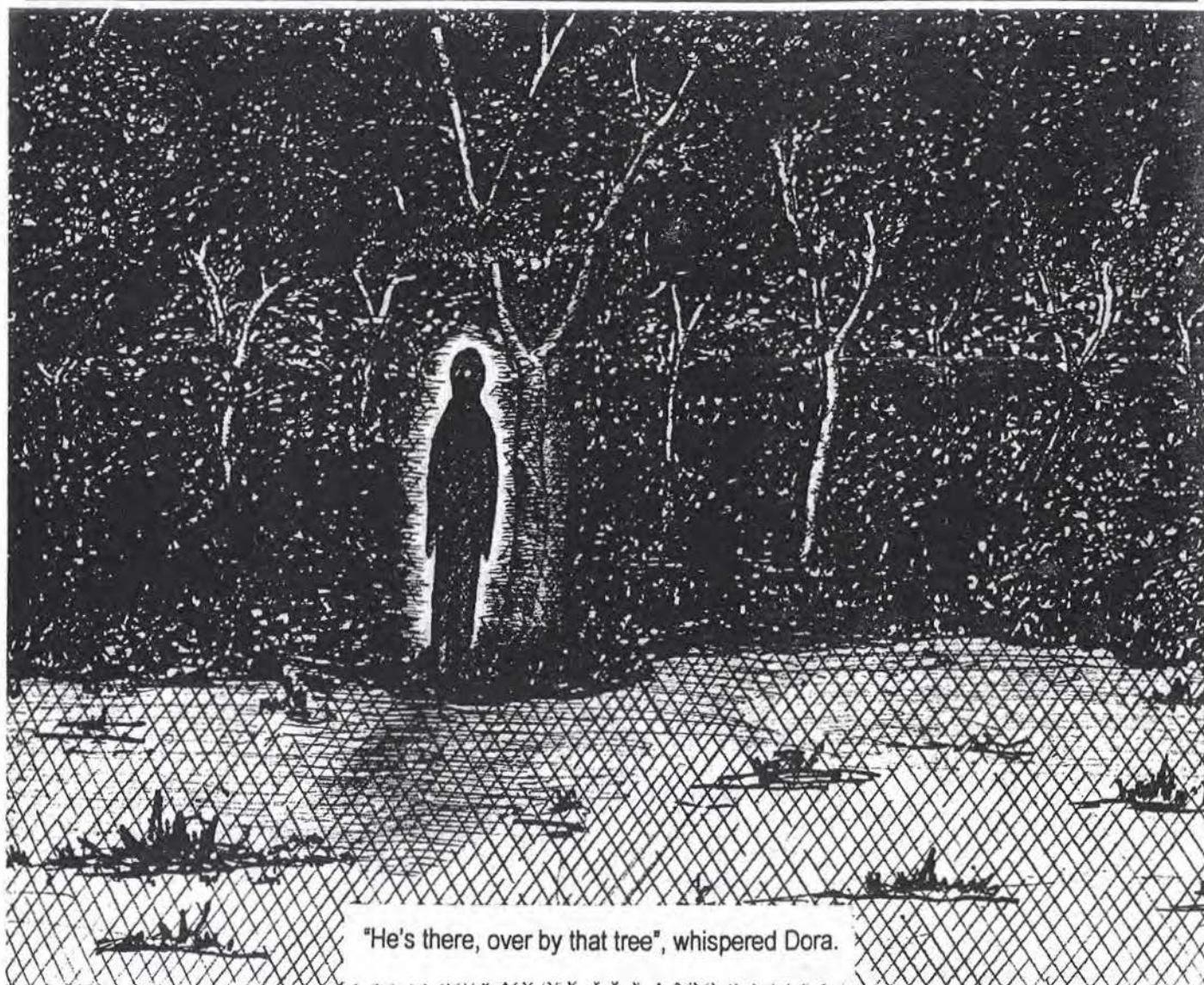
The couple concentrated their thoughts, "Where were you" they asked the "ZI's"? They sat quietly, waiting for the reply. Once again the glass moved, it sped from letter to letter and it read, "Not come, Spotter Plane", "Go now to agreed place".

The request for a meeting now, caught them by surprise. They would have to take some quick action if they were to reach the meeting place in time. Derek and Dora set off through the night, treading cautiously as they went. Luckily, although it was night, the sky had a starlit glow and the couple were able to follow their usual path alongside the lake. They had to walk through a thickly wooded area before arriving at the meeting place; this was situated in a small clearing at the edge of the woods.

Soon they reached the rendezvous point and leaving the cover of the trees they stepped into the clearing. The couple paused for a moment and peered into the darkness. Suddenly Dora grabbed Derek's arm, they both stopped, and it was as if they had been frozen to the spot! "He's there, over by that tree" whispered Dora.

The tree that she had referred to, stood out from the others, it was on the edge of the woods and clear of the undergrowth. The trunk of the tree had no branches or foliage near the ground and it ran up for some distance before the branches spread out, forming a wide dark canopy overhead. Derek could just make out a shadowy figure standing by the trunk, but Dora was able to see more (her long sight was better than Derek's).

Speaking in a whisper, Dora described the tall human-like figure standing under the tree. It appeared to be dressed all in black, in a type of one-piece suit.



"He's there, over by that tree", whispered Dora.

It was tall and slim, but not thin. The couple stood transfixed, peering through the darkness at the stationary shape.

After what could only have been a few minutes they saw a movement as the hands of the tall dark figure reached towards its middle. It seemed to touch its belt, then quite suddenly it disappeared. Once again the shadow of the tree resumed its normal shape. "He's gone" Dora gasped.

The couple found that they were both able to move freely once again, but what had held them? Derek wondered if it had been purely fright or some other force that had restrained them during their encounter?

They stood quietly for a few moments, but there was no sign of the shadowy figure returning. After a brief discussion the couple made their way home, having decided to return to the clearing on the following day.

The next morning Derek and Dora retraced their steps to the secret rendezvous. They came to the spot where they had stood on the previous night and looked across the clearing. "It was over there," said Dora.

Slowly they made their way across to the old tree where the shadowy figure had been standing; it was a distance of some twenty yards. "His head was level with that" said Dora and she pointed to a projection from the trunk. Derek glanced up and looked at the jutting stump, it was some eight feet from the ground! No wonder the "ZI" people thought the couple would be scared! The "Sky People" were apparently eight feet tall!

Derek and Dora chatted for a while discussing the previous night's experience, finally they made their way back along the shore of the lake, to the caravan site and their cabin.

Derek Hodgson and his family were soon destined to move on from their home at the "Oasis" site, but there was still one strange final episode to be played out.

One night, shortly before they were due to leave, the coast was hit by a violent tropical storm. The rain fell in sheets and the wind howled through the trees, tearing at the leaves on the branches overhead. Debris and overhead electric cables fell down on the site. Thunder and lightning shook the cabin; the young children were terrified. Suddenly there was a vivid flash of lightning, the lights of the cabin flickered and went out.

Each cabin had an electrical trip switch situated where the cable entered the van. In the event of a power surge the trip switch would operate and cut off the power supply.

The Hodgson's cabin was mounted on brick piers, and the switch was positioned in a corner under the extended roof of the cabin, some ten feet off the ground.

Derek was in a difficult situation, because of the intensity of the storm, he dared not leave the safety of the cabin to try and trace the fault. In any case, a ladder would be needed to reach the switch situated high up at the back of the van. The children were crying, it was a terrifying situation for them. Derek could do nothing until the weather abated

The storm continued to rage, the wind howled branches and leaves beat down on the roof of the cabin. There was another brilliant flash of lightning. For a split second, Derek thought that he saw the silhouette of a figure standing outside the window, but he could have been mistaken. Suddenly the lights came on again... There was no logical explanation for the power supply being reconnected.

The following morning, when the storm had subsided, Derek and Dora stepped outside and walked around towards the back of the cabin. Derek was mystified by the incident the previous night and anxiously wanted to inspect the electrical trip switch. The couple walked to the rear of the cabin, paused for a moment and then looked up in amazement at the corner of the cabin.

There was a dark sooty area around the switch where the power surge had taken place. Not only had it been reconnected, but at the side of the connection was a sooty outline, that of a hand, a very large hand!

Derek and Dora made no further attempt to contact the "ZI's" and shortly afterwards they moved away from the area. By now, the Vietnam war had started and things in Australia worsened. In 1967 the couple decided to return to England with their family...just as the "Board" had predicted!

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Professor John E. Mack knows he can count on the PRA when he's in a fix!

John Mack signing an autograph, courtesy of Omar Fowler. Photo: Garry Stapleton

Anthony James

UFO News UK

UFO'S HAUNT MISSILE CREWS

By Billy Cox

A FLORIDA TODAY column

When you're a launch-control operator in charge of a single missile fitted with a plutonium warhead packing enough yield (three megatons) to enlarge Hiroshima's incineration by a factor of 150, life in even the loneliest desert can get a little intense. You remember the big things first.

You remember things like October 1962, when activating the go codes - and a nuclear exchange - was literally at your fingertips. As it was again in November 1963, when the president got blown away and the first prime suspect was already locked into a pre-targeted grid pattern. If you were at the Strategic Air Command outpost near Roswell, N.M., you watched fuel explosions destroy three Atlas silos, and you wondered what would happen if it got down to launching live rounds.

But it wasn't until last month, when Jerry Nelson of Cocoa Beach read about the Disclosure Project going on in Washington, D.C., that he remembered something else.

In May, some 20 people claiming encounters with unidentified flying objects while performing military or government duties went public to demand open congressional hearings on this largely classified phenomenon. One Air Force veteran, Robert Salas, reported how UFOs buzzing missile silos at Malmstrom Air Force Base managed to shut down more than a dozen Minuteman nukes in Montana during March 1967.

Actually, more widely publicised UFO snooping into restricted space around nuclear weapons systems occurred in the autumn of 1975. That's when security forces at Loring, (Maine), Wurtsmith (Michigan), and Malmstrom (again) Air Force bases were scrambled - in vain - to apprehend the intruders. But Nelson had never heard of those events. And even though he was stationed at Walker AFB on the outskirts of Roswell in the 1960s, he also says he never heard of the alleged 1947 flying saucer crash near the New Mexico cow town until several years ago.

What Nelson does recall is how, as a member of the 579th Strategic Missile Squadron, his post at an ICBM silo called Site 9 sustained its own peculiar nocturnal security breaches during a period of several months.

"The guards were scared," says Nelson, a retired pharmacist. "These objects would hover over the silo and shine lights down on them without making any noise. So I'd call the base and the base would say, 'We'll take it under advisement,' but I never got a chance to see it, because I couldn't leave my post."

One USAF veteran who got a look at something a little different was missile facilities technician Bob Caplan, now living in Rohnert Park, Calif. He didn't work with Nelson's crew, but late one night on another shift, a guard at Site 9 asked the ranking officer below to dim the security lights to cut the glare because weird lights just beyond the perimeter were giving him the willies. Caplan went topside to check it out.

After emerging into clear, moonless, pitch-black darkness, Caplan says it took him a few moments to spot the silent interloper. "It was definitely on the ground, and it was white and very intense," he recalls. "It's hard to explain. It didn't put a beam of light out, it was more concentrated, but not like a sphere. More like a flat circle, like a halogen light that's shining flat on the ground."

When Caplan and a guard swung their flashlights toward the thing and approached, it vanished. Nothing was there. The light reappeared seconds later, some 20 to 30 feet away, only to disappear without a trace. Although Caplan never saw it again, he was interrogated several days later by an Office of Special Investigations agent. Caplan never saw the report, assuming one was filed.

Gene Lamb of Oklahoma City was a 579th SMS deputy crew commander who didn't see anything, but heard about and read UFO stories. "One of those things supposedly landed north of Roswell," he says. "It was reported by a highway patrolman who said it left a triangulation pattern where its legs touched down. And there was another (UFO) incident after that, a daylight sighting."

Even his crew commander witnessed UFO activity. Lamb says he can't get into it, because his old buddy feels constrained by a security oath.

MICHIGAN USA

HOWELL – At 7:39 PM Tuesday, October 2, I was driving east on Clyde Road four miles north of Howell, when overhead I noticed a bright white fireball trailing a line of blue and white sparks. The fireball descended at a rapid pace moving east. Its diameter was about the size of a pea held at arm's length. It was much larger and brighter than what is seen during a meteor shower (i.e., falling stars). As I said, I first noticed it through the top left of my windshield as it shot downward at what I guessed to be a 60-degree angle. It descended below the horizon. I thought it might hit maybe 10 miles east. Thanks to NUFORC

UNITED KINGDOM

LONDON – The witness reports, On October 4, 2001, I was on the 9:30 AM Flight leaving Heathrow Airport. The plane was in a steady climb and when we reached about 10 to 15 thousand feet above the puffy sparse clouds I was looking out the forward window. Looking as close to straight down as I could, I saw some sort of movement between the ground and the puffy clouds right below us. I could see that the ground was being distorted as this object passed above it. It caused a wavy appearance to the ground. Looking closer I could see a definite line where the distortion ended, it looked like a huge contact lens, or a clear plastic disk flying beneath us. I watched the disc pass under three or four clouds and always continue on the other side. I could only track it so far because of the small windows on a 777. I then leaned back and could still see it in the window that was in line with my shoulder. It was travelling in the opposite direction as the airplane, and going maybe three times faster than the clouds passing below us. I watched it until I could see it no more due to the small windows. Right after it was gone I noticed directly below us a nuclear power plant. This object was travelling away from the power plant. I believe this was not a reflection as it was observed from two different windows. It took me a few seconds to realise that what I had seen was really there.

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The Evening Sky

November 2001

November nights are crisp and our 'civil clocks' have at last moved back to Greenwich Mean Time. Early evening darkness and frequently transparent skies are a bonanza for star observation and the beautiful, deep-crimson sunsets will definitely lift your spirits. Step out every night into the blackness, experience the wonder of the night sky and let your earthly worries vanish into the ether. Do not be scared of the dark!

At dusk Mars comes into view above the southern horizon. Saturn follows just as the last rays of evening twilight fade. Jupiter (much brighter) rises around two hours after Saturn. Sparkling Venus and her smaller companion Mercury rise together in the eastern sky as morning twilight emerges.

The big event of the month may be the Leonids meteor shower which could turn into a meteor storm. On the evening of the 18th the Earth crosses the meteoroid path of comet 55P/Temple-Tuttle. Every 33 years this comet sweeps through the inner solar system leaving a very thick swarm of cometary debris behind it.

If the Earth passes through this thicker concentration of comet material the upper atmosphere (on the forward facing side of our lovely little planet) can blaze with meteors which storm like fiery rain

from the Sickle of Leo. There are no guarantees but the Leonids may go berserk this year. I recommend you look skyward on this date just in case the sky is burning.

The Moon is full on November 1st and again on November 30th. The second Full Moon of the month is known as a Blue Moon. Two Full Moons in one month occur on average once every 40 years hence the saying 'once in a Blue Moon'. Its name is derived from an English misunderstanding of the French word 'double': 'la lune double' can sound like 'la lune bleu'.

November Moon names are: Snow Moon, Dark Moon, Fog Moon or Mad Moon. November 16th was known as the Night of Hecate. Hecate is part of the most ancient form of the triple Moon goddess: Hecate, the Crone or Dark Moon; Artemis the Crescent Moon; and Selene, the Full Moon. Most of the worshipping of Hecate especially on this night, was performed at a three way crossroad where food was left as an offering to her. Her animals were the toad, the owl, the dog and the bat.

The worship of material acquisitions and the pursuit of hollow lifestyles will not lead to greater happiness. However, connecting with the patterns, rhythms, circles and cycles of nature and the cosmos provides a feeling of inner wellbeing and a sense of wonderment.

Enjoy Your Evening Sky!

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TALE ENDERS

EIGHT NEW PLANETS Have been found with circular orbits similar to our own. Now scientists are claiming that there may be life somewhere out in the Universe. Brothers and sisters may abound throughout the Universe! For details and dimensions of the new planets take a look at <http://www.msnbc.com/news/643369.asp?pne=ms> From Susan Cerdan, Florida USA

NASA SPACECRAFT ORBITING MARS. Nasa's Odyssey spacecraft is now orbiting Mars after travelling on a six month mission. It reached the planets north pole area on Tuesday 23rd October, when a retrograde rocket was fired, enabling the Odyssey craft to slow down and to be captured in a Mars orbit. Once the systems have been checked out from the control centre on Earth, it will start mapping the planet for minerals and also search for frozen water. So far only one third of the spacecraft launched towards Mars since 1960, have succeeded in reaching and orbiting the planet.

IN CONVERSATION "We were on a caravan holiday in **Mablethorpe** about 25 years ago and my daughter and I had been visiting friends in a nearby caravan. It was half past midnight when we said goodnight and went to return to our caravan. As we were walking through the darkness, we saw a big disc-shaped UFO come down in the cornfield adjacent to the caravan site. It was a disc with shiny windows around it and a dome on top. It made no noise and was a polished metallic grey colour. We were scared and ran back to our friends caravan." Derby witness: *Sheila Spear.*

FIRE FIGHTERS in Guildford, Surrey, witnessed two Flying Triangle UFO's passing high in the sky overhead. At the time, they were attending and damping down a shop fire in the town centre at about 12.15am on 25th September 01, when they saw two self illuminated yellowy FT's pass over. Source: *Jeff Whitear*

SEEN OVER CRICH (Derbys.) PRA member Melanie Cunningham, has reported seeing several FT's over CRICH (the site of a Rolls-Royce nuclear dump). One FT seen on the night of 14th August 11.30pm was described as being "Big, with one entire side being patterned and illuminated." (*More details in next OVNI.*)

DR. JOHN.E.MACK, always something of a philosopher, made an interesting aside during his talk at the Leeds Conference. He spoke of Man's need for a higher consciousness and the unseen realities in the Universe. Then referring to the Worlds current problems he said "If you take an eye for an eye, for an eye for an eye, you end up being blind!"

FROM THE 'FILERS FILES' #42. 'New Jersey Flying Triangle'. Two witnesses observed a FT in the early morning of October 7, 2001. "We were just around mile marker 85-90 on the Garden State Parkway, northbound at 1.15am. It was essentially three lights of even brightness, white like stars and in a fairly perfect isosceles triangle. There was no object visible, just the lights. It looked like a triangular constellation of medium brightness white stars in the sky and seemed for some reason to be maybe twice as large as a regular airplane. I'd have guessed it was well south of Newark. It certainly wasn't going very fast. We probably watched it for about ten seconds before it started to fade. Thanks to Bob Larson <http://boblarsen.com>

A MESSAGE FROM THE DALAI LAMA. (*Extract*) Love this and every moment. If we could love even those that have attacked us and seek to understand why they have done so, what then would be our response? Yet if we meet negativity with negativity, rage with rage, attack with attack, what will be the outcome? These are the questions that are placed before the human race today. They are questions that we have failed to answer for thousands of years. Failure to answer them now could eliminate the need to answer them at all!

NEXT PRA MEETING (Last One This Year)

Will take place at the Royal British Legion, Allenton, at 8pm on Tuesday 27th November.

A video of the amazing **Santiago Yturria Garza** presentation at the recent Leeds UFO Conference.

Plus **free** book raffle 'Science Of The X Files' by Michael White. (October's winner was George Sabey).

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